



**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant
application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| Application Number | 09/715,068 |
| Filing Date | November 20, 2000 |
| Examiner Name | Patrice L. Winder |
| First Named Inventor | Bryan A. SLAVIN |
| Group Art Unit | 2155 |
| Attorney Docket Number | 31333-164218 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 22-0261
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Signature | | Date | August 23, 2005 |

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For: CALL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Art Unit: 2155

Examiner: Patrice L. Winder

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Amendment and Reply to Office Action Accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action ("Office Action") dated March 17, 2005, and further in response to the Interview Summary dated July 19, 2005 (U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Paper No. 20050719) and the Advisory Action dated August 9, 2005, Applicant now submits the following response, which accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for. Any fees required therefor (including fees

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for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency, are hereby authorized to be charged, or any overpayments credited, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

Applicant notes that the indication on the Advisory Action that the time for response to the final Office Action of March 17, 2005 expires *four* months from the mailing date of the final Office Action is incorrect. This should state that the period expires *five* months from that mailing date, given that Applicant has previously obtained a two-month extension of time to respond.

Amendments

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified Application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.